



Newsletter

12th December 2025

Message from the Headteacher

Dear all,

The children in **Acorn and Oak class** shared their nativity with us this week- and it was wonderful! They were so confident in saying their lines, singing and dancing. It was great to watch! A BIG thank you to Miss Hobbs, Miss Rist, Mrs Hope, Mrs Belcher, Mrs Bridgman, Mrs Kestell and Ms Marshall, who supported and encouraged the children so that they could all shine!

Our **Secret Shopping** event was as busy and brilliant as ever! Thank you so much for all your donations. We raised over £800 which will be used by FOBS to pay for workshops and materials for our arts week in the first week of next term! As always, my favourite part is watching how well our oldest children support our youngest with their shopping and the wrapping of the gifts- we hope you enjoy unwrapping them on Christmas day!

The first four days of next year will be our **arts week**. We have different artists coming into school to share their work and lead workshops and talks with the children, giving them a range of inspiring experiences. We hope to have a gallery of the children's work to share with you on the Friday- further details to follow. If you, or anyone you know, would like to get involved, please do speak with me.

We look forward to seeing you at our **KS2 carol service** on Tuesday, 5pm at the church, or our whole school **Christmas service** on Friday, 9:30am at the church.

Finally, congratulations to **Falcon class** who completed their 'Play Leaders Award' this week- we look forward to seeing the activities they will lead for our younger children at lunchtimes!

Have a great weekend!

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Mrs Beulah Letchford
Headteacher



Celebration Assembly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **School Values** certificate in celebration assembly: Grace, Hugh, Nelly

Congratulations to the following children who received a **Golden Rules** certificate in celebration assembly: Zach J, Dylan J, Beatrice, Sienna B.

Key Notices

Parking

Please be reminded **not to park or stop** on the yellow zig-zag lines outside of the school **at any time**. This blocks children's and adults views of the oncoming traffic and are there to ensure safety for all.

Pantomime trip

We are excited for our whole school trip to the **Watermill Theatre** on **Wednesday 17th December!** If not done so already, please visit Scopay to give consent and make payment by **Friday 12th December**. Please contact Miss Pummell if you have any questions.

Christmas lunch and jumpers!

Our Christmas lunch is on the last day of term, **Friday 19th December** and will be roast turkey with all of the trimmings! Please make sure orders are placed **as usual** on Scopay. Children are welcome to wear Christmas jumpers for the day alongside their uniform.

LSA Vacancy

We have a position available supporting one of our KS1 children from 8:45/9-12:00 each morning. If this is something you, or someone you know, may be interested in, please talk to Mrs Letchford or Miss Pummell to find out more.

Healthy Snack Reminder

Children are asked to bring **healthy fruit or vegetable snacks** in for break times. Not only will this encourage healthy eating habits for our children, it will also reduce the amount of packaging waste we collect each day as some snacks will not need packaging, and others can be brought into school using reusable containers. This will help us meet our sustainability goals as part of our climate action plan!

Lunch ordering

Please be reminded to order your child's school dinner on Scopay **every day** - even if your child is bringing a packed lunch from home, this should be recorded as an 'S'.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 16 th December	KS2 (Robin and Falcon) Carol Service - 5pm at the church
Wednesday 17 th December	Pantomime Trip - back to school at approx. 4:15pm
Friday 19 th December	Carole service at the church - 9:30am - families welcome Christmas Lunch Wear Christmas Jumpers day! End of term - normal finish time
Monday 5 th January	INSET day
Tuesday 6 th January	Children return to school Art week begins
Friday 9 th January	Art week gallery- details TBC
Monday 12 th January	Y5/6 Football v Oakley @ Burghclere 1:30pm
Tuesday 13 th January	Y5/6 Football finals night @ Park House 4pm
Tuesday 20 th January	Y5/6 Netball tournament @ Park House 4pm
Wednesday 21 st January	Y5/6 Athletics @ The Clere 1-3pm
Thursday 22 nd January	Y5/6 Archery @ Park House 4pm
Monday 26 th January	Y4 Maths Challenge @ St Gabriels 1-3pm
Wednesday 28 th January	SENCo Parent info session - all families welcome in the hall - 8:50am-9:20am
Tuesday 3 rd February	Y2 Speed Stacking @ Park House 4pm
Thursday 5 th February	Y5/6 Speed Stacking @ Park House 4pm
Friday 6 th February	Y5 Maths Challenge @ St Gabriels 1-3pm
Monday 16 th February - Friday 20 th February	Half term